

CHAPTER 1
COUNTY SESQUICENTENNIAL COMMISSION CERTIFICATION

731—1.1(7G) Purpose. The Iowa statehood sesquicentennial commission shall certify a county sesquicentennial commission in each county of the state for the purpose of receiving funds from the state commission and administering local sesquicentennial projects.

731—1.2(7G) Definitions. The following terms have the meanings indicated:

“*City*” means a municipal corporation, but not including a county, township, school district, or any special purpose district or authority.

“*CSC*” means county sesquicentennial commission.

“*DOT*” means department of transportation.

“*ISC*” means Iowa statehood sesquicentennial commission.

731—1.3(7G) Membership.

1.3(1) *County convener.* The ISC shall appoint a county convener in each county to facilitate and coordinate the appointment process of each CSC. The county convener may serve on the CSC and act as liaison with the ISC.

1.3(2) *Appointments.* One member of the CSC shall be appointed by the county board of supervisors. One member shall be appointed by the city council of each city in the county. Additional members shall be appointed by the CSC to ensure balance as it relates to gender and political affiliation. The ISC strongly encourages each CSC to balance additional appointments with respect to ethnicity and areas of expertise to include at least one member representing each of the following areas:

- a.* Minority representation,
- b.* Historical representation,
- c.* Educational representation,
- d.* Cultural arts representation,
- e.* Business and industry representation,
- f.* Agriculture representation.

731—1.4(7G) Certification. The ISC shall certify a CSC when the following requirements have been met:

1. Compliance with membership rules,
2. Election of a chair, cochair, secretary, and treasurer,
3. Adoption of a mission statement,
4. Commitment to facilitate an ISC-authorized project.

The ISC has prepared a county commission handbook to be utilized as a guide to certification requirements, project opportunities, and funding availability. The handbook shall be distributed to every county convener and county commission member. In addition, the handbook is available for review upon request to the ISC.

731—1.5(7G) Funding. Upon certification, each CSC shall be eligible for funding to be used on ISC-authorized projects.

1.5(1) *Funding formula.* Each CSC shall receive an equal share (1/99) of 10 percent of the registration plate revenue collected by the ISC. Additionally, once 10 percent of the plates available for sale in a county (based on DOT fleet summary report) have been sold, the CSC shall receive \$1 for every additional plate sold and renewed above the 10 percent figure.

1.5(2) *Eligible uses of funds.* CSCs shall be required to utilize the funds for one or more of the following authorized ISC projects:

- a.* Development and coordination of a theme-based countywide celebratory event.
- b.* Development and coordination of a historically oriented project.
- c.* Development and coordination of a cultural arts project.
- d.* Development and coordination of an educationally oriented project.

e. Facilitation of ISC-developed projects utilized in local communities to include, but not be limited to:

- (1) Speakers bureau.
- (2) Traveling exhibits.
- (3) Arts programs.

f. Development and coordination of a joint-county theme-based special event.

1.5(3) *Sesquicentennial communities.* Every city which participates in a sesquicentennial project will be designated as a sesquicentennial community.

These rules are intended to implement Iowa Code chapter 7G.

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